

REMARKS

These remarks are in response to the non-final, seventh Office Action mailed May 19, 2004, in the present application, which was filed on September 24, 1997. The Office Action rejected pending claims 4-9, 11, 12, 17-27, and 29-36 on new grounds and allowed claim 28. It is respectfully submitted that these rejections are in error and in response to the Office Action, a Notice of Appeal is being filed with the present Amendment. The present Amendment places the claims in a form to more clearly focus the grounds of the Appeal.

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